

## Poa pratensis Disturbed Community

COMMON NAME	Kentucky Bluegrass Disturbed Community
SYNONYM	Bluegrass Prairie
PHYSIOGNOMIC CLASS	Herbaceous vegetation (V)
PHYSIOGNOMIC SUBCLASS	Perennial graminoid vegetation (V.A)
PHYSIOGNOMIC GROUP	Temperate or subpolar grassland (V.A.5)
PHYSIOGNOMIC SUBGROUP	Natural/semi-natural (V.A.5.N)
FORMATION	Medium-tall sod temperate or subpolar grassland (V.A.5.N.c.)
ALLIANCE	Undefined

CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENCE LEVEL 3

USFWS WETLAND SYSTEM Upland

### RANGE

*Globally* Information not available.

### *Jewel Cave National Monument*

Mappable stands of this community are common throughout. Smaller patches occur in stands of *Pascopyrum smithii* - *Bouteloua* (curtipendula, gracilis) - *Carex filifolia* Herbaceous Vegetation or form mosaics with that type. *Poa pratensis* is present in many other vegetation types, but not dominant.

### ENVIRONMENTAL DESCRIPTION

*Globally*

Information not available.

### *Jewel Cave National Monument*

This community was found on gentle slopes in valley bottoms and on slopes. It was found on all aspects.

### MOST ABUNDANT SPECIES

*Globally*

<u>Stratum</u>	<u>Species</u>
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Information not available.

### *Jewel Cave National Monument*

<u>Stratum</u>	<u>Species</u>
Herbaceous	<i>Poa pratensis</i>

### DIAGNOSTIC SPECIES

*Globally*

Information not available.

### *Jewel Cave National Monument*

*Poa pratensis*, strongly dominant

### VEGETATION DESCRIPTION

*Globally*

Information not available.

**USGS-NPS Vegetation Mapping Program**  
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This community is strongly dominated by *Poa pratensis*. Other graminoids may be present, including *Pascopyrum smithii* and *Nassella viridula*. Small stands of *Symphoricarpos occidentalis* often are present.

OTHER NOTEWORTHY SPECIES Information not available.

CONSERVATION RANK GW

RANK JUSTIFICATION

The dominant species in this community is an invasive exotic. Thus, it falls under the definition of a GW ranking.

DATABASE CODE Information not available.

COMMENTS

REFERENCES